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Re: "Devious Licks" and "School Licks" on TikTok and at FMHS

Hello Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

We want to make you aware of a pressing concern that we are facing at FMHS - driven by a TikTok Video Challenge. Our school is being vandalized frequently as students participate in the social media challenge. Bathrooms are continuously being vandalized and school property stolen. Soap dispensers are being ripped off walls; toilets are being plugged, flooded and broken; stall doors are being removed from their hinges; items are being stolen from bathrooms; etc.

Our amazing custodial staff are now taking time away from cleaning our school and performing mandatory disinfecting duties to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in order to fix bathrooms and repair damage that students are intentionally doing for the sake of a social media prank. These damages result in expenses incurred to replace stolen and damaged items and additional work hours.

Given the severity of the destruction that we are seeing, FMHS is taking these incidents very seriously. FMHS's response to continued vandalism and theft will include:

- Any student caught vandalizing and stealing at FMHS will have consequences applied as part of our school discipline policy, which can be located in section 204 of the [FMHS Student Handbook](#).
- Any expenses incurred to replace stolen and/or damaged items and/or additional work hours will be applied to a student's school fees account.
- FMHS will immediately report these incidents to the RCMP and will fully cooperate with their investigation. If upon the investigation's conclusion by the RCMP it is determined that charges can be laid, FMHS will pursue that avenue.

We feel it is important that our families know that these prevalent incidents are happening in our school and we want all of our stakeholders to know our response protocols now, prior to any family being contacted due to these concerns. We hope that you can have discussions with your student to assist us in curbing these very detrimental, time-consuming and expensive destructive acts.

How we are investigating and what your student can do: We will be viewing camera footage to determine who was in the bathroom before the destruction was reported to the office. If a student was in the bathroom and did not report vandalism, and the person in the bathroom prior to that stated that there was no vandalism when they were in there, we will have narrowed down to those who are likely responsible. **PLEASE REPORT ALL VANDALISM to the office!**

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school!



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